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AT GAY SARATOGA.

The Ideal Summer Resort Full of Beauty and Animation—A Pleasure-Seeking Throng—The Frederick Douglass Literary Association Elects New Officers—President Lee's Inaugural Address Makes a Hit.

Saratoga, New York. Special—The season of 1901 is rapidly nearing its zenith; every train that comes to the "Spa" brings numbers of health and pleasure seekers. The hotels and cottages are rapidly filling up, and as one passes along the broad and elm shaded streets the scene observed is a veritable kaleidoscope of beauty and animation. What a contrast to the bustle and hurry of the crowded city. Here everything is quiet, cool and sedate. There, all is a mad, hot rush after—what? There, the millionaire as well as the workingman are all striving every nerve to overtake the nimble-foot dollar.

Here, all care is thrown to the winds and all, high and low meet at nature's fountains and drink of the invigorating waters which gush forth in inexhaustible streams. And what a cosmopolitan place is Saratoga. There are few places in all the broad earth that have not its representative here. In a ten minute walk on Broadway one may see the stately Briton, the correctly attired Frenchman, the bustling Yankee, the enterprising Jap, the stoical Indian, the ponderous German, the garrulous Italian and what is of course inevitable the irrepressible Negro. When one sees so many people from so many sections, whose environments at home are so different and widely separated, here paying grateful homage to Mother Nature for her bountiful gifts, he is led to exclaim, "Great is Saratoga."

The Frederick Douglass Literary Association held an installation meeting at the A. M. E. Zion church Wednesday evening, July 10, at which time the following officers were installed: President, Mr. J. T. Lee; 1st vice president, Mr. P. C. Neil; 2nd vice president, Mr. G. P. Goode; Secretary, Mathew V. Carter; treasurer, W. H. Nelson; musical director, J. Hamilton Brooks; Sergeant-at-arms, Robert B. Fields; chaplain, Rev. A. Jackson, editor, Mr. J. G. Shelton; ushers, Messrs. Joel Thomas, Henry Barbour, Henry Washington, and N. Jackson. The meeting was very ably presided over by Mr. Marshall Hall who has filled the chair as president pro-tem with credit to himself.

Mr. W. L. Brown of Oberlin College delivered a very able and eloquent installation address, and to say his large audience was held spell-bound from start to finish will but faintly express the appreciation he won from all present. The great applause which greeted President J. T. Lee as he stepped forward to deliver his inaugural address was evidence of the high esteem in which he is held by the Association whose members are from all parts of the civilized world.

PRESIDENT LEE'S INAUGURAL ADDRESS.
"For the third consecutive term I have been called upon to fill the very high and honorable position as President of the F. D. L. A. Were I to follow the dictates of my own feelings—



GEN'L HENRY FORREST,
Washington, D. C.

were I to consider the demands upon my time, the wear and tear physically which the duties of the day demand of me, I would be compelled to put aside the great honor which you so unanimously put upon me. But when I see with what unanimity you have acted, when I see with what one accord your vote by acclamation has been offered me I am compelled to lay aside my personal wishes and once more take my stand at the helm and do what I can to lead you in the same road of progress and success which has been yours since the beginning.

"Fourteen years ago there came to Saratoga some few young men, bright from the schools and colleges, filled with enthusiasm and ambition of youth. They had not been long on the ground before they discovered that there was something lacking in the social make-up of the place. They had not looked long ere they came to the conclusion that the thing lacking was a good literary association. They went to work and in an incredibly short time they had on foot a prosperous association. This organization existed for a number of years under the direction of various presidents accomplished much good. But alas, disaster overtook them and

their noble work sickened and fell. But in an association so well conceived it was not its fate to die. The spirit which impelled those young men to organize was too immortal to die, and from such a spirit, such an immortal spirit the Frederick Douglass Association was born and has grown to the large and successful organization which is yours today. Long may it live to help fallen humanity to aid intellectual and to ennoble society.

In accepting this gavel, this emblem of my office, I would as you to ever heed its call. I would ask you to ever respect its demands, for it represents nothing but justice to all.

In conclusion, I would state that it has been well said that the ladies are mouth pieces of the world. If then ladies you are the master minds, if you are our guiding stars I would ask you in the name of the association that you give us your support. If you do this and I have no doubt but what you will success must be our, for wherever woman goes man will ever follow."

After the foregoing address the Association was further entertained by a beautiful and well rendered program.

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ACROSS THE WIDE ATLANTIC.

A Well Known Washingtonian Sees the Sights of Staid Old London and Gay Paris—A Visit to Westminster Abbey—St. Paul's and the Palais Royal—The Absence of Race Prejudice in England and France.

It isn't everybody who can make a trip across the Atlantic. Many who go don't go under the most pleasant auspices, backed up by plenty of cash, surrounded by all the luxuries and in company and associations that are congenial to a fault. This remark was made by a raconteur after listening to a brief account of the trip of Gen. Henry Forrest across the Atlantic ocean on the Hamburg-American Line on the steamer Bismarck. The "General" was so loud in his praise of the speed and of the general magnificence of this ocean greyhound that, he was interrupted repeatedly by his auditors who wanted more details.

As is well known, General Forrest is one of the best known railroad men in the country, having served for more than twenty years. He is a favorite with the Pennsylvania company and a fixture and prime favorite on the Congressional Limited. In his capacity he meets everybody, men and women of high estate and of large means. It is no wonder then, when Mr. B. N. Baker of the Atlantic Transport Steamship Line planned to cross the Atlantic with his family, and on a bridal tour with his daughter and her husband, that he wanted the best man to accompany him.

"Gen." Forrest was notified by telegram at Jersey City that Mr. Baker desired him to sail just two days ahead of time; so that on the 8th of June, when the great steamship, Bismarck, puffed away from the New York harbor, Mr. Baker was comfortably assigned to one of the most elegant state rooms on the steamer and no happier soul was aboard than that of "Gen." Forrest. They returned on the Minneapolis, one of the finest of the great line of vessels. It has a length of 625 feet, a breadth of 65 feet and speed of 18 knots, while its tonnage is 16,000. The trip was made without accident and at great speed. The points touched by the party were Plymouth, England, where the cars were taken for London, Bristol, Windsor Castle, all in England, were the points visited by the Baker party. They stopped at the Grand Hotel on Trafalgar Square. Only those who have visited London has any conception of the great city, of its great population, of its grandeur, of its great hotels, the Grand Hotel being by all odds the largest and finest one. Three weeks were spent in this, the world's Metropolis. Through the kindness of Mr. Baker, Mr. Forrest had an opportunity of visiting Paris and to see the sights of that great and gay city. Among the points visited were; Tuilleries Gardens, Louvre Gallery, Bois de Boulogne, Champs Elysees, President's Palace, Alexandra Bridge, Church of the Madeleine, Church of St. Sulpice, Pantheon, Palais Royal, Arc du Triomphe, Opera House.

After spending awhile in Paris, Mr.

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